



## Summary of the Survivors Support Group

The cross authority (Nottinghamshire County Council, Nottingham City Council and Nottinghamshire Police) Strategic Management Group for Historical Abuse established the Survivors Support Group in January 2016.

The purpose of the group is to provide a forum for survivors and their representatives to meet with key members of the Local Safeguarding Boards. The key functions of the group are:

1. To ensure that effective lines of communication are established between survivors and their representatives and the Local Safeguarding Boards.
2. To receive feedback from survivors and their representatives on the services being provided by partners to support victims and survivors of historical abuse.
3. To provide updates to survivors and their representatives regarding on-going historical abuse investigations and the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA).

## Membership of the Survivors Support Group

- Survivors of historical abuse and their representatives including the Nottinghamshire Child Sexual Survivors Group and the East Midlands Survivors
- Nottinghamshire County Council
- Nottingham City Council
- Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Nottinghamshire Police **as from March 2017**.

## Survivors Support Group meetings

The Survivors Support Group has met seven times (every two months) since its first meeting on 25 January 2016, and has been chaired to date by Colin Pettigrew, Corporate Director, Children, Families and Cultural Services, Nottinghamshire County Council.

A standard agenda has been developed with victims and survivors covering the following areas:

- Communications
- Support Services for survivors and victims
- Equinox update
- IICSA update
- LSCB Review

### Attendance at Survivors Support Group meetings (excluding Executive Support)

Organisation	25 Jan 2016	15 Mar 2016	23 May 2016	25 Jul 2016	27 Sep 2016	22 Nov 2016	31 Jan 2017
Survivors of historical abuse and their representatives – Nottingham Child Sexual Abuse Survivors Group	3	4	4	3	7	6	8
Survivors of historical abuse and their representatives – East Midlands Survivors Group	1	1	1	2	2	3	3
Survivors of historical abuse and their representatives - Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Nottinghamshire County Council	3	3	4	4	4	4	3
Nottingham City Council	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Clinical Commissioning Groups	2	0	1	0	1	2	1
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>



## **Key areas discussed at Survivors Support Group meetings**

The key areas discussed at meetings have included the following:

- Updating the County and City Councils website pages on historical abuse including the FAQs.
- Leaflet for victims and survivors
- Practice learning events for GPs
- Input into Social Work Training
- Workshop on current practice in children's homes
- Support services to victims and survivors.

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